

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, South Dakotans have experienced winter storms of historic magnitude; and,

*Whereas*, Winter storm conditions have resulted in deaths, injuries, and extensive property damage; and,

*Whereas*, Traffic accidents due to snowy or icy road conditions cause injuries and loss of life; and,

*Whereas*, Winter storms can cause extreme hardship to livestock producers and severe economic loss to the agricultural industry; and,

*Whereas*, The state of South Dakota, Department of Public Safety, Office of Emergency Management, and the National Weather Service, in cooperation with other federal, local, and volunteer agencies, are attempting to inform and educate the public on steps that should be taken to prepare for the winter season; and,

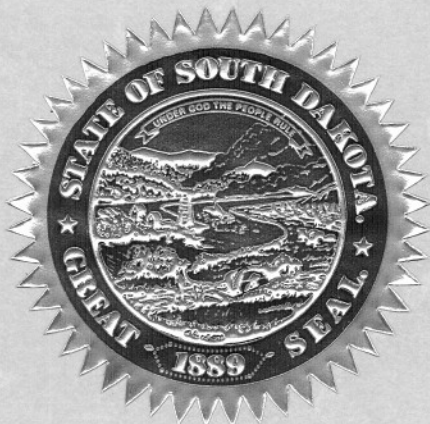
*Whereas*, By taking reasonable precautions, the people of South Dakota can reduce the loss of life, livestock, and property:

*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 24-28, 2005, as

## *WINTER WEATHER PREPAREDNESS WEEK*

in South Dakota.

*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventeenth Day of October in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.



*M. Michael Rounds*  
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M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

*Chris Nelson*  
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Chris Nelson, Secretary of State